Amendments to the Claims

1.   (Currently Amended) A method for providing a message to at least one network entity in a telecommunications network, the method comprising:

receiving a call request to connect a call from an originating subscriber entity ~~to a destination subscriber entity~~, the call request including a destination identifier of a first type and a management code;

converting the destination identifier of the first type to a plurality of destination identifiers of a second type, in response to receiving the management code in the call request;

receiving a message from the subscriber entity; and

sending the message to ~~the~~ each of a plurality of destination subscriber ~~entity~~ entities using the plurality of destination identifiers of the second type.

2.   (Original) A computer readable medium having stored therein instructions to execute the method of claim 1.

3.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving a message from the subscriber entity comprises receiving the message in a voice message format, the method further comprising:

converting the message in the voice message format to a message in a text message format before sending the message to each of the plurality of destination subscriber ~~entity~~ entities.

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4.   (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein converting the message comprises a voice command platform entity converting the message.

5.   (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the call request includes the management code appended to the destination identifier of the first type.

6.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the destination identifier of the first type is ~~selected from a group consisting of (i) a Public Switch Telephone Network (PSTN) telephone number, (ii)~~ a mobile identification number (MIN)~~, and (iii) an IP address~~.

7.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ each of the plurality of destination identifier<u>s</u> of the second type is an e-mail address.

8.   (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving a call request to connect a call from an originating subscriber entity to a destination subscriber entity comprises receiving the call request at a switch.

9.   (Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising:

sending a request for call-handling instructions from the switch to a service controller;

receiving from the service controller an instruction to route the call to a voice command platform; and

responsively, routing the call from the switch to the voice command platform.

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10.   (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprising, after receiving the call request on the voice command platform entity, prompting a user of the originating subscriber entity to speak the message.

11.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein converting the destination identifier of the first type to the destination identifier of the second type comprises a service control point converting the destination identifier of the first type to the plurality of destination identifiers of the second type.

12.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein converting the destination identifier of the first type to the plurality of destination identifiers of the second type comprises an intelligent peripheral converting the destination identifier of the first type to the plurality of destination identifiers of the second type.

13.   (Currently Amended) A method for providing an e-mail message to at least one network entity in a telecommunications network, the method comprising:

receiving a call request to connect a call from a first subscriber entity to a second subscriber entity, the call request including a destination identifier combined with a management code;

receiving a voice message from the first subscriber entity, the message being destined for the second subscriber entity;

selecting a given e-mail address from a set at least two e-mail addresses associated with the second subscriber entity;

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converting the destination identifier to ~~an~~ the given e-mail address ~~associated with the second subscriber entity~~, in response to receiving the management code;

converting the voice message to a text message; and

sending the text message to the given e-mail address ~~associated with the second subscriber entity~~.

14.   (Original) A computer readable medium having stored therein instructions to execute the method of claim 13.

15.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the destination identifier is ~~selected from a group consisting of (i) a Public Switched Telephone Network (PTSN) telephone member, (ii)~~ a mobile identification number (MIN)~~, and (iii) an IP address~~.

16.   (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein receiving the call request comprises a switch receiving the call request, the method further comprising:

sending a request for call-handling instructions from the switch to a service control point;

receiving routing instructions how to route the call from the switch;

routing the call from the switch to a network entity based on the routing instructions;

prompting a user associated with the first subscriber entity to speak the voice message.

17.   (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the routing instructions comprise instructions to route the call to a voice command platform.

18.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein converting the destination identifier to ~~an~~ the given e-mail address comprises a voice command platform converting the destination identifier to ~~an~~ the given e-mail address.

19.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein converting the destination identifier to ~~an~~ the given e-mail address comprises a service controller converting the destination identifier ~~an~~ the given e-mail address.

20.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, further comprising :

providing the given e-mail address from the service controller to a voice command platform;

receiving a message on the voice command platform; and

the voice control platform sending the message to the given e-mail address.

21.   (Currently Amended) A system for providing a message to at least one network entity, the system comprising:

a first network entity receiving a call request to connect a call from a first subscriber entity to a second subscriber entity, the call request including a destination identifier of a first type and a management code, and responsive to receiving the call request including the management code, the first network entity sending a request for call-handling instructions to a second network entity, the request for call-handling instructions including the destination identifier of the first type and the management code;

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the second network entity, responsive to receiving the request for call-handling instructions from the first network entity, <u>selecting a given destination identifier of the second type from a plurality of destination identifiers of the second type associated with the destination identifier of the first type,</u> converting the destination identifier of the first type to a̶ <u>the given</u> destination identifier of a̶ <u>the</u> second type and further providing the <u>given</u> destination identifier of the second type to a third network entity, the second network entity further providing routing instructions for the first network entity; and

the third network entity prompting a user associated with the first subscriber entity to speak a message, and further, sending the message to a recipient associated with the destination identifier of the second type provided by the second network entity.

22.   (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein the first network entity comprises a switch, the second network entity comprises a service controller, and the third network entity comprises a voice command platform.

23.   (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein the third network entity is further receiving a voice message from the subscriber entity, converting the voice message to a text message, and sending the text message to the destination identifier of the second type.

24.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the destination identifier of the first type is s̶e̶l̶e̶c̶t̶e̶d̶ ̶f̶r̶o̶m̶ ̶a̶ ̶g̶r̶o̶u̶p̶ ̶c̶o̶n̶s̶i̶s̶t̶i̶n̶g̶ ̶o̶f̶ ̶(̶i̶)̶ ̶a̶ ̶P̶u̶b̶l̶i̶c̶ ̶S̶w̶i̶t̶c̶h̶e̶d̶ ̶T̶e̶l̶e̶p̶h̶o̶n̶e̶ ̶N̶e̶t̶w̶o̶r̶k̶ ̶(̶P̶S̶T̶N̶)̶ ̶t̶e̶l̶e̶p̶h̶o̶n̶e̶ ̶n̶u̶m̶b̶e̶r̶,̶ ̶(̶i̶i̶)̶ a mobile identification number (MIN)̶,̶ ̶a̶n̶d̶ ̶(̶i̶i̶i̶)̶ ̶a̶n̶ ̶I̶P̶ ̶a̶d̶d̶r̶e̶s̶s̶.

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25.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the <u>plurality of</u> destination identifier of the second type <u>associated with the destination identifier of the first type are a plurality of</u> ~~includes an~~ e-mail address associated with the second subscriber entity.

26.   (Cancelled)

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32.   (Currently Amended) <u>At a</u> ~~A~~ network entity<u>, a method</u> for providing a message to at least one subscriber entity in a communications system <u>comprising:</u>~~;~~

~~the network entity~~ receiving a call <u>request</u> being routed from a subscriber entity, the call being associated with a destination identifier of a first type and a management code<u>;</u>~~;-and~~

~~the network entity,~~ responsive to receiving the call request, prompting a user associated with the subscriber entity to speak a message<u>;</u>~~;~~ and ~~further,~~

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determining at least one destination identifier of a second type ~~using~~ based on the destination identifier of the first type and based on the management code, wherein the at least one destination identifier of the second type is determined from a group of many destination identifiers of the second type associated with the destination identifier of the first type.

33.   (Currently Amended) The ~~network entity~~ method of claim 32, wherein the network entity is a voice command platform.

34.   (Currently Amended) The ~~network entity~~ method of claim 32, further comprising: receiving instructions from a second network entity to determine the at least one destination identifier of the second type ~~using the destination identifier of the first type, and~~ based on the received instructions, wherein determining the at least one destination identifier of a second type is further based on the received instructions. ~~the network entity determining the at least one destination identifier of the second type~~.

35.   (Currently Amended) The ~~network entity~~ method of claim 34, wherein the second network entity comprises a service controller.

36.   (Currently Amended) The ~~network entity~~ method of claim 32, wherein the network entity receives the destination identifier of the first type and the management code in the call request~~, and the network entity determines the destination identifier of the second type using the management code~~.

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37.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the message is a voice message, and <u>further comprising:</u> ~~the network entity converts~~

<u>converting</u> the voice message to a text message<u>;</u> and ~~sends~~

<u>sending</u> the text message to the at least one destination identifier of the second type.

38.   (New) The method of claim 13, wherein selecting a given email address comprises applying stored rules for indicating which of the set at least two e-mail addresses to select as the given e-mail address.

39.   (New) The method of claim 38, wherein the stored rules comprise:

a first rule for selecting a first e-mail address as the given e-mail address during a first time period; and

a second rule for selecting a second e-mail address as the given e-mail address during a second time period.

40.   (New) The method of claim 38, wherein the stored rules comprise:

sending a weekday message to a work e-mail; and

sending a weekend message to a home e-mail.

41.   (New) The method of claim 13, wherein selecting the given e-mail address comprises applying a set of subscriber preferences to select the given e-mail address.

42.   (New) The method of claim 13, wherein selecting the given e-mail address comprises selecting the given e-mail address based on the management code.

43.   (New) A method for providing an e-mail message to at least one network entity in a telecommunications network, the method comprising:

receiving a call request to connect a call from an originating subscriber entity to a destination subscriber entity, the call request including a telephone number and a management code, wherein the management code includes indicia for initiating a conversion from a telephone number to an e-mail address, and wherein the management code further includes indicia for selecting a given e-mail address from two or more e-mail addresses associated with the telephone number;

selecting the given e-mail address from two or more e-mail addresses associated with the telephone number;

receiving a voice message from the subscriber entity; and

sending the voice message to the given e-mail address.

44.   (New) The method of claim 43, wherein indicia for selecting a given e-mail address comprises indicia for selecting a home e-mail address associated with a user of the destination subscriber entity.

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